

The FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

ESTABLISHED 1891

Capital--1903-- \$100,000

Surplus, \$10,000

Our Aim in Business

WE DESIRE to make the First National the Bank of the People. The small depositor receives the same courteous treatment and consideration that is extended to the largest, within the limits of safe and conservative banking. Officers give personal attention to all details. Directors meet regularly and frequently, and keep closely in touch with the current business. Every safeguard known to safe and successful banking is availed of, and our past success is the best criterion by which to judge the security of the future.

THE FIRST NATIONAL is pre-eminently the Bank of the Frontier. Its stockholders belong here. Its interests are those of our best and most progressive citizens. We offer to our customers, present and prospective, the advantages of the largest capital and surplus of any bank in this section, and of the safe and conservative banking methods which have resulted in the successful building up of this bank in the past twelve years.

Its financial position is established, and the energy, experience and business ability of the management will continue to be wholly directed to the maintenance and increase of these advantages.

OFFICERS OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

WILLIAM KELLY, President
A. ASHHEIM, Cashier

S. L. DWORMAN, Vice President
J. B. WELLS, Attorney

We Solicit the Patronage of All

OUR FUNDS are protected in a fire-proof vault and by the best safes to be obtained; and are further covered by insurance against burglary or daylight robbery. Our officers are under bond in the best surety companies.

People who intrust their money to a bank have a right to know its financial strength. We recognize this right and will cheerfully furnish any depositor a statement of our condition any day in the year. Absolute safety is the best thing we have to offer, and upon this basis your account is solicited.

Carnegie's Thousandth Library.

The correspondence of the local authorities of Scarborough, England, with Mr. Carnegie discloses the fact that the great ironmaster proffered his thousandth library building.

In the three years since his gifts for this purpose began he has planned for nearly a library a day, omitting Sundays. The money offered has ranged in amount from \$500 allotted to Bare Rapids, Kas., to \$2,000,000 for Pittsburgh, \$7,000,000 for Detroit and \$10,000,000 for Washington. New York has been tendered about \$6,000,000 and the United States altogether \$63,000,000. Scotland has come in for \$7,000,000, and Cuba for \$250,000. The aggregate of Mr. Carnegie's benefactions in this line was computed at above \$90,000,000 last May, when the number of libraries enriched by his bounty was only 100.

There has been a proposal in Germany to set up a monument to mark the spot where the kaiser killed his thousandth stag. As monuments go, Mr. Carnegie's thousandth library offer is at least equally worthy of commemoration. The appreciation of what it means may be heightened by reflecting that a single copy of a new book described for by each of his libraries would alone necessitate an edition large enough to assure the volume's success from the publisher's point of view.

Counterfeit Money for Tillman.

The story is told in the South that Benjamin Tillman of South Carolina received a counterfeit bill in part payment for his lecture on the race question, which he delivered at Savannah, Ga. He detected it with the financial clerk of the senate in Washington and after was informed by letter that it had been sent to the treasury department and had been produced a counterfeit and punched with holes. A Savannah bank, which the bill had been made the loss good to the owner.

Locations in Texas Wanted.

The Frisco System Land and Immigration Association is already making its share of the southwest side of immigration of Texas. Three hundred and fifty agents of the Association from the East and North have just completed a tour of Texas and viewed its resources and interviewed its landowners and local Association agents, for the sole purpose of representing Texas opportunities to the homeseeker and investor in other states.

This Association is the most efficient of its kind in existence, and has agents everywhere in the United States. If you wish to sell your town or own property, or if you desire capital for factories, textile establishments or any other industries, please address R. J. MON, Secretary Immigration Association, Dept. A, Frisco Building, St. Louis, Mo.

S. A. HUGHES,
General Immigration Agent.

2-29-tf.

LIST OF LETTERS.

The uncalled for letters remaining in the postoffice of Brownsville, for the week ending March 5, 1904, are as follows:

LADIES LIST.

Alford I. M.
Aguilar Maria
Buberos de y Florencia
Garcia Andrea
Gallardo Emeterio
Garza de Gonzalez Elena
Yzaguirre H. Fanstina.
Johnson H.
Miller Eula
Martin Comelia
Orosco Estefana
Martinez Susana
Martinez de B. Refugia
P. & E.
Newman Ida
Pena Antonia Maria
Rosales Maximiana
Cenato Josefa
Sepulveda Amalia

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Almagueuer Eluterio
Aireya C. Franco
Browne Robb.
Brpan J. Nem.
Bailey W. H.
Bowen Dee 2.
Carrasco Ruverto
Cartez Placido
Cathay A. John
Campton F. G.
Cantu Eluterio
Dorris B. J. 2
Escobar Modesto
Estell U. E.
Elmore Chas.
Flores Albino
Falcon Senen
Gonzales Marlin
Gridley A. Geo.
Garcia Gumecindo
Gallardo Edwardo
Hall G. S.
Harrington W. J.
Hus Janie
Hinojosa Antonio
Jetrey John
Luckie Neal 3
Lerma Jose
Lopez Bonifacio
Maury T. S.
Montoy Theodore
Moreno Pedro
Malone W. J.
Martinez C. Vicente
Payne Albie
Pena Antonio
Quintero Franc
Reavely Wm.
Ramon Ruperto
Ruiz Julian
Rugan Harry
Rodriguez Alfonso
Santo los de Rafael
Saldana Pedro
Slarini Noak
Sauchez Ascencion
Vigery Jim
Valdez Miguel
Whiteles Wm.
Wright Tom 2.
Wilson Curtis
Weir Regnald
Zapata Lino

J. B. Sharpe, Post Master.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.

Fifteen thousand dollars is the amount of sales for 1903 by W. S. Dougherty, wholesale and retail merchandise dealer, at Hidalgo, Texas, and the business he now offers for sale at a bargain. The stock comprises a full line of fresh fancy and staple groceries, and a large assortment of dry goods and notions.

The purchaser would step into a paying business at once.

A LARGE BRICK BUILDING.

Recently built with brick ware house and out houses, all in good condition, including two lots, will be sold with stock of goods, or buildings with all fixtures will be leased for one to one five years at a very low rental, if desired.

REASON FOR SELLING.

I have large ranch interests which demand the greater portion of my time, and it is impossible for me to devote proper attention to mercantile business. I am willing to sell at a sacrifice rather than neglect either business.

With the S. A. & A. P. railroad heading for Hidalgo, this is sure to be one of the best business points on the Rio Grande, and this is a chance for some one to coin money. The business is already paying big profits daily and improving rapidly, and is undoubtedly one of the best business chances ever offered at a bargain.

For term and particulars, address
W. S. DOUGHERTY,
Hidalgo, Texas. 3-2-tf.

J. H. Johnson....

CONFECTIONERY
and News Stand

Just received a fresh line of Candies. Full line of Lowney's
Package Candies.
Cigars, Tobaccos, Fruits and Nuts, Daily Papers and Magazines.

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F. S. SCHRECK, Managing Partner.

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General, Foreign and Domestic Merchandise.
Specialties: Woodford Co. Whiskey, Fine Crockery,
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Sewerage, Water Works, Paving,
Electric Light, Plumbing and Civil Engineering

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I retail choice family groceries at regular wholesale prices. Get my prices on

Flour, Coffee, Rice,
Lard, Sugar,
Fence Wire, Vermicelli, Crackers
Everything kept in a first-class grocery store.

Walter B. Austin.

JOE L. CRIXELL, Manager.

TEOFILO CRIXELL, Proprietor

The Crixell Saloon

BILLIARD PARLOR.

FINEST OF WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

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J. S. & M. H. CROSS

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